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Honorable Commissioner For Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

CROWN STREET Reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 18, lines 4-19, replace the paragraph with the following:

Continuing with FIG. 3 and more to the point of its relation to the present invention, we see that the same data as well as the device's model number, serial number, date of implant, and so on are conveyed to system interface 53. At this juncture, the data may be stored (in patient data memory 61) or transmitted/telemetered immediately. The time of transmission is dependent on whether the programmer is or is not connected to phone link 56 or satellite link 55 at the time of implant. Assuming that one of these connections is made at some time during the day, the data from patient data 61 and Internet interface 53 is uplinked to the Internet via phone line modem connection 56 and phone line 59 or telemetric satellite link 55 using data encryption technology for a secure transmission as substantially described in filed

